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New Jersey—Fair and continued cool.

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## SOVIET TROOPS SLOW NAZI ADVANCE; STONE-WALL DEFENSE FOILS 'TRAP'

### Gain in Leningrad, Murmansk Battles

#### Fighting Rages Along Moscow Front; Nazi Casualties Mount

MOSCOW, Saturday, Oct. 11 (UPI).—German shock troops are slowly battering their way through the dense pine and birch forests of the Vyasma sector, 130 miles from Moscow, but they have failed in their main objective of encircling Marshal Semyon Timoshenko's defending armies, front dispatches said today.

South of Moscow, the Germans failed to make headway after capturing Orel, dispatches said, and despairing of a mass panzer frontal assault, the Germans sent out groups of 30 to 40 tanks to seek out weak spots in the Soviet line. These tanks were said to be encountering a solid wall of Soviet tanks and artillery, barring any advance on Moscow from the south.

The Red Army reportedly was losing ground in the critical Vyasma sector, and along the Sea of Azov on the Southern Front where the Donets Basin was imperiled, but they were counter-attacking at Murmansk and Leningrad in the north, were holding their own elsewhere along the 2,000-mile front and the capital remained calm and confident, although the battle raged little more than 100 miles away.

The Germans are suffering terrific losses, especially in the Central Front, but Adolf Hitler's generals continue to throw more men and tanks against the Soviet lines.

#### FIERCE RESISTANCE

When overwhelmed by superior German numbers, the Red Army has withdrawn to more easily defended points. But even while yielding ground along the Vyasma-Bryansk-Orel front, stretching from 130 miles southwest to 200 miles south of Moscow, the Soviet forces have resisted fiercely, dashing out of trenches, rifle pits and shell holes to counter-attack at every opportunity.

Newspapers continued to warn that the nation faced an "exceptionally grave" peril, but in Moscow people were making orderly preparations for enduring the bitter Russian winter, heedless of the onrushing Germans.

Four German bombers were shot in daylight raids on Moscow yesterday and several others were driven away. The total shot down over Moscow since Oct. 7 is 20 planes.

#### LENINGRAD REPELS RAID

Saturday's communiqué said that fighting was "particularly intense" in the direction of Vyasma, Bryansk and Melitopol. The same points mentioned Friday. It said 39 German and 27 Soviet planes were shot down Wednesday. Hundreds of tanks, armored cars, trucks, horse-drawn vehicles, gun batteries and other war equipment were reported destroyed.

The communiqué said that at the approaches of Leningrad Soviet

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### U.S.A.-Britain-U.S.S.R. -- In Joint War Against Hitler!

REPORTS in the press reveal that Great Britain is shaking with the demand that a Western land front be opened up against Hitler. All sections of the British population are recognizing that Hitler's gigantic all-out offensive against Moscow brings the peril of Nazi invasion closer to the British Isles.

In America, President Roosevelt's neutrality message, calling for drastic changes in the Neutrality Act, emphasized the grave danger to our country and urged speed in assisting the Soviet defenders of our shores. His state-

ment—"it is time for this country to stop playing into Hitler's hands and to unshackle our own"—strikes a responsive chord in the breast of every patriotic citizen.

It has been outstandingly apparent in the last few weeks that the American people are ready to assume their full responsibility with the Soviet Union and Britain in the common military effort to crush the common enemy. This was strikingly broadcast to the world when the American Legion Convention in Milwaukee adopted a resolution rebuking the Lindbergh appeasers and urging that the ban

against the use of American troops in foreign lands immediately be lifted. It is better that we should stamp out the Nazi rattlesnakes in their lair than that we should wait until they strike our homes and our people over here, was the sense of the Legion stand.

William Green at the AFL convention called for "more drastic action" to defeat Hitler. CIO unions and leaders, closely attuned to their membership and to the welfare of the nation, have taken a similar stand.

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### HOUSE TROUNCES LEND-LEASE FOES OF U. S. S. R., 162-21; QUICK AID URGED

#### Russian War Relief Gets Wide Response

By John Milden

The need for vast quantities of medical supplies for the embattled Red Army and the people of the Soviet Union is growing hourly and is happily meeting with wide response from all sections of the American people, Miss Harriet Moore, secretary of the relief organization, declared yesterday.

Headquarters of Russian War Relief, Inc., located at 335 Fifth Ave., is humming with activity daily as the drive for medical supplies, clothing, knitted apparel and funds reaches an ever-widening scope throughout the country.

In a dramatic appeal, the newly-formed organization, which supercedes the original American Committee for Medical Aid to Russia, took full page advertisements in yesterday's New York Times and New York Herald Tribune. The advertisement was headed: "Russia's 'Scorched Earth' Calls to America's Green Fields!"

#### NEEDS GREAT

Interviewed yesterday by the Daily Worker, Miss Moore, who formerly was secretary of the American-Russian Institute, said that while the response of the American public for aid to the Soviet people and its fighting forces is indeed encouraging, the scope of the war on the Eastern Front against Hitler is such unprecedented proportions that aid must be forthcoming in tremendous quantities.

"Because of the Soviet scorched earth policy that's been so successful in stemming the Nazis' attacks the Russian people themselves have suffered enormous civilian deprivations.

"When these deprivations are added to the immense casualties of the Red Army and the guerrilla fighters, the problem of medical aid has arisen which is enough to swamp the resources of two continents.

"Despite the years of preparations an considerable production of supplies by the Soviet Commissariat of Public Health, the immense need of support in vast quantities from the one country now able to supply them—America—is evident to everyone.

"We are proud to present every section of American life and activity as the sponsors of this immediate and serious appeal for Russian aid."

#### NOTED SPONSORS

Among some of the noted sponsors of Russian War Relief, Inc., are Edward C. Carter, secretary-general of the Institute of Pacific Relations; Vilhjalmur Stefansson, famous explorer; Taliullah Bankhead, actress; Pearl S. Buck, novelist, and many nationally-known artists, professionals and business men and women.

Several thousand local groups have sprung up throughout the country, spokesmen of the organization said yesterday. Among these are neighborhood knitting circles, trade union aid groups and relief

#### New Panama Gov't to Get Recognition

#### New Administration Acts to Strengthen Unity Against Hitlerism

WASHINGTON, Oct. 10 (UPI).—President Roosevelt said today that United States recognition of the new government in Panama was automatic because it replaced the pro-Axis regime of President Arnulfo Arias in accordance with provisions of the southern republic's constitution.

He disclosed that he had consulted with State Department officials last night about yesterday's bloodless coup d'état and was informed that it was carried out within the framework of Panama's constitution. Hence, he explained, there was no question whether this government would recognize the one headed by Ricardo Adolfo De La Guardia.

There had been friction, too, between this country's plans to expand defenses of the Panama Canal and to establish vital air bases in Panama. The general impression in the capital today was that a general speed-up of these projects now could be expected.

Officials privately made no secret of their satisfaction at reports emanating from Panama that the new President "soon will call his cabinet together to repeal the ban on armament Panamanian-registered ships.

Likewise, his statement to the United Press that his government would be motivated by "strictest friendship and the most complete cooperation with the United States" was warmly received.

"Through Chinese Ambassador Dr. Hu Shih, the President endorsed the United China Relief campaign with the hope that it would emphasize to Americans the importance of China's battle against aggression.

"Congratulations on your patri-

#### Fight for Freedom' Urges War to Meet Hitler Ship Attacks

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 10.—The Continental Congress of the Fight for Freedom Committee wound up its sessions today with a strong resolution calling "for the immediate repeal of the Neutrality Act because it is helping Hitler to win this war."

Stating that "Hitlerism cannot be beaten by halfway measures," the resolution declared that if Hitler attacks American ships "this will mean war and a declaration of war will and should follow."

Delegates, representing every state in the country, also adopted a resolution which said, "We will tolerate no touch of the Fascist spirit in America" and that "this is a two-front struggle in which our example in the practice of democracy is as vital as our share in the actual conflict."

Earlier in the day state delegations visited their Congressmen and Senators urging them to vote for the Neutrality Act which was as well aware of these thoughts as it is alive to the strategic opportunity now presented for the first and perhaps the last time in the war. . . . If the decision goes against bolder, direct action; Parliament will doubtless ask for explanations. This will need to be good ones."

Even the Conservative Times called for "boldness within the bounds of reason," while the Daily Sketch said, "let us carry the fight into France; let us fight on the beaches and everywhere the German raised his beastly head." The Daily Herald criticised Lord Halifax, Ambassador to the United States, for saying at Boston that "Hitler is prancing into Russia" charging that "by his very choice of words, he betrays complacency . . . we cannot afford to adopt this superior, contemptuous attitude toward our opponent."

CRUSH ANTI-SOVIET MOVE

The crushing defeat of the anti-Soviet amendment, which was offered by Representative Robert F. Rich, Pennsylvania Republican, was thus considered a repudiation of the appeasement group as well as a strong indication of the growing demand throughout the country for increased aid to the Soviet Union.

BEAVERBROOK SAYS AID TO USSR IS UNLIMITED

LONDON, Oct. 10 (UPI).—Minister of Supply Lord Beaverbrook, expressing belief the Soviet Union will continue to fight even if Moscow falls, announced today that Britain is supplying the Soviet with unlimited quantities of war materials, including planes and tanks, on a lend-lease basis without asking payment.

Beaverbrook and W. Averell Harriman, leaders of the British-American mission which returned to London today from Moscow, both reported Soviet morale good. Harriman said he was convinced the Soviet Union will fight to the last with faith in ultimate victory because Britain and the United States stand behind her.

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#### Communist Nominees Withdraw, Urge Anti-Hitler Unity in Race Retain Candidates for Council; Call for O'Dwyer Rout

Declaring that partisan differences must be submerged to the pressing need for a national front against Hitlerism, Communist city and county candidates, headed by Edward C. Carter, secretary-general of the Institute of Pacific Relations; Vilhjalmur Stefansson, famous explorer; Taliullah Bankhead, actress; Pearl S. Buck, novelist, and many nationally-known artists, professionals and business men and women.

The Communist candidates, in whose behalf 45,000 signatures on nominating petitions were filed Monday with the Board of Elections, blasted Tammany candidate William F. O'Dwyer as a representative of the pro-Nazi and appeasers forces in a joint statement.

"Our votes have not been solicited and it is of no concern to us whether they are or not," the statement declares. "National unity and not a single person's attitude or prejudices determine our viewpoint."

"Our position no more implies our agreement with the political philosophy that may be termed 'LaGuardianism' than it connotes LaGuardia's agreement with Com-

munism."

Communist councilmen candidates will remain in the race. Amer, who was candidate for Mayor, has been substituted for Carl Brodsky for councilmanic candidate from Manhattan. Other candidates are Peter V. Cacchione of Brooklyn, who was nosed out for City Council in 1937 by 250 votes; Isidore Begun of the Bronx and Paul Crook of Queens.

Amer, running for congressman-at-large in 1938, received 105,000 votes.

The text of the Communist candidates' declaration follows:

The first plank in the Communist municipal election platform is unity of the people to

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#### Today Is Last Day to Register for Election

Last warning! Today is the last day to register in order to vote Election Day, Nov. 4. The registration booth will be open from 7 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Don't wait. Register early.

If in doubt where to register, from Manhattan call Canal 6-3600; from the Bronx, call Tremont 8-1186; from Brooklyn call Triangle 5-1100; from Queens call Boulevard 8-5000, and from Richmond call ST. George 7-1951.

To register all you have to be is: 21 years or more; a citizen, born here or naturalized at least 90 days before election; a resident of New York State one year; a resident of the county four months; a resident of the election district 30 days.

If you've moved within the county, it's O.K. You're eligible to register and vote.

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### Invasion of Continent to Aid USSR Called for

#### All Papers Clamor for Immediate Action Against Hitler

LONDON, Oct. 10 (UPI).—Newspaper demands for immediate British action to relieve Nazi pressure on the Soviet Union reached an almost hysterical pitch today with assertions that "the peak crisis of the war" has arrived.

Reflecting a growing public clamor over Britain's idleness during the U.S.S.R.'s grave peril, newspapers demanded direct, powerful and immediate action. Emanuel Shinwell, Labor member of Commons, has served notice that he will demand an immediate statement on the Soviet military situation at the next Commons session, according to well-informed diplomatic sources, and if the question comes up for debate, it was believed that many members would demand a continental invasion to draw some of the German troops out of Soviet territory. Every newspaper in London took up the cry for government action. The Evening Standard said the British people were "near a mood of anger" over Britain's inactivity in the crisis. Frank Owen, the Standard editor, wrote that "There is still time . . . Russia will not fail if the imagination and will exist among us to keep her fighting. But if Russia does fall the sound of the destruction will be like the crash of a great dam in the hills, and the flood will sweep the earth."

The Evening News said that "The man in the street, who cannot know all the facts, must leave the matter in the hands of Churchill and his experts knowing that Churchill is not a man to shirk any justifiable risks; but one thing the public would not forgive would be any policy of 'wait and see.'"

PEOPLE WANT ACTION

The Star said: "In the hour of Russia's agony and trial the British people awoke to the rescue . . . The War Cabinet must be as well aware of these thoughts as it is alive to the strategic opportunity now presented for the first and perhaps the last time in the war. . . . If the decision goes against bolder, direct action; Parliament will doubtless ask for explanations. This will need to be good ones."

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# Revolt Grips Balkans, Defy Bulgaria Puppets

## On the War Fronts (AS OF OCTOBER 9th) BY A VETERAN COMMANDER

The general situation on the Eastern Front saw distinct, although slight, improvement during the past twenty-four hours. The signs of improvement are the following:

1. So far the northern arm of the great "Moscow pincers" which alone could conceivably fulfill Hitler's prophecy of a major disaster to the Red Army, has failed to make any appreciable progress out of Velikiye Luki. The Germans are still stuck around Toropetz and Rozhina, on the upper reaches of the Western Dvina, having progressed in nine days about 35 miles. Further north von Leeb's divisions have not yet emerged from the Valdai hills. Thus the great incipient Smolensk-Rzhev-Ostashkov pocket has not yet materialized.

2. In the center, near Viasma, terrific pressure is being brought to bear by the Germans, but it is a frontal assault and no pincers are even foreshadowed here. Soviet forces have retreated somewhat around Viasma, although not on the main highway. The Germans here are approaching the outer ring of the Moscow defenses which pass through Kashi-Kalinin-Rzhev-Viasma-Kaluga-Tula-Stalingrad in a semicircle with a radius of about 125 miles. The integration and organization of the Soviet defenses is attested to by the dismal failure of a German parachute landing southeast of Viasma.

3. Further south, a still greater effort is being made by the Germans in the area between the Bolva, Zhidra and Oka rivers.

The Germans tried the day before yesterday to force their way from Orel toward Tula and succeeded in reaching Chern, almost halfway to that city. Here they were counter-attacked by Soviet tanks and crushed by artillery fire. Then the Germans tried a thrust west of Orel in a northerly direction and probably reached Kozelsk. At the same time their forces drove from Pochesha due east with the object of closing the ring around the Briansk Soviet troops. But the Red Army commander at Briansk did not "choose" to retreat toward the Zhidra river, but decided to fight it out. He closed the gap in his sector where the Germans had forced their way toward Kozelsk and attacked the Germans in the center. At that moment Soviet reinforcements arrived from Kaluga. They now are driving the Germans back.

Thus we see that the Soviet command has retained its ability to maneuver, that the army command continues to direct operations and that the Soviet communications are sufficiently intact to permit reinforcements to arrive in a few hours from Kaluga which is 100 miles from the scene of the fighting.

The sum up—the only conceivable large pocket in the Central Front is the one just described. And it seems to have failed so far at that.

In Leningrad, Voroshilov continues his active defense. Sufficiently active to make a large-scale move by von Leeb's right wing (Novgorod) risky. In the Ukraine, Budyenny is holding the Germans near Poltava and at Melitopol. The Germans claim that they have reached Mariupol and Berdiansk. London confirms this and takes a gloomy attitude. It must be noted, however, that "viewing with alarm" is London's main military occupation in these critical times.

A little less gloom and a little more action would be very timely. The Chinese have launched a large offensive on the central front and are making some real progress near Ichang.

There is less than ever to report from the other fronts, where nothing but an unconvincing and ineffective exchange of aerial bombings has been going on for over three months. The RAF meets hardly any opposition over Germany and France, but Germany in turn does not seem to be affected much by the routine egg-laying of the British bombers.

## Britain Demands West Front Now to Aid USSR

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Beverbrook said, adding that British tanks, as well as planes, already had arrived there safely and "will be suitable for winter operations."

He said he believed the Soviet Union would fight even if Moscow falls but cautioned that he anticipated capture of the Soviet capital.

He revealed officially for the first time that Britain renounced some supplies earmarked for her by the United States so that they could be sent to the Soviet Union.

Harriman attributed the Soviet Union's stand against the Germans to two factors—mechanization and morale.

"I got the impressions," he said, "that the Russians are really determined to fight to the last with faith in their ultimate victory realizing that America and Britain are behind them."

"How far behind the Russians are we going to stand?" an American newspaperman asked.

Harriman laughed.

He said that since his last visit to the Soviet Union 15 years ago the Russians have mastered machinery."

"Russian aviation and tank troops have become experi-

menters," he said. "No group of Americans or British ever learned to fly new planes as quickly and competently as the Russians. Maintenance of planes also is excellent."

He said some members of the American mission had visited munitions factories near Moscow and had found well-equipped and latest-type American machinery. American engineers said Soviet workmanship in repairing American planes was better than anything in the United States, he added.

### RAF Blasts Nazi Convoys Off Norway

LONDON, Oct. 10 (UP)—The Admiralty announced today that the fleet air arm has carried out a series of raids on Germany's northern sea routes to the Soviet Union, scoring hits on four ships totaling about 6,500 tons.

The Admiralty said the attacks occurred Wednesday and were centered on Vestfjord, Norway, and on a convoy sighted of the Norwegian coast near Bodoe.

The attacks on Vestfjord began at dawn when naval planes carried out the first raid. The Admiralty said,

### U. S. Eagle Squadron Pilots Killed in Crashes

LONDON, Oct. 10 (UP)—Four members of the American Eagle Squadron have been killed in plane crashes in Britain, it was announced tonight.

They were:

Flight-Lieut. Andrew Mamedoff, 30, Thompson, Conn., where his mother resides.

Pilot-Officer Hugh Harrison McCall, 24, South Pasadena, Calif., where his father resides. He was born in Minneapolis, Minn.

Pilot-Officer William Joseph White, 21, Topeka, Kan., where his father resides. He was born in Belvidere, Calif.

Pilot-Officer Roy Neale Stout, Jr., 26, of Kansas City, Mo., where parents reside.

### Sudden Tenderness' Irks the Fascists

ROME, Oct. 10 (UP)—An accusation that White Guard Russians, who accepted hospitality in Axis nations for 20 years, suddenly felt a "certain tenderness" for the Bolsheviks was made today by the newspaper Piccolo, which suggested that they were sent to a Russian Arctic island after the war is over.

The newspaper said the Fascists will not have anything further to do with such White Guard Russians and that it "seems impossible that such sentiments should exist, but nevertheless, there it is."

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## We Hold the Balance

The Daily Worker reprints here an editorial published yesterday in the New York Post. While not agreeing with all the points included in the editorial, the Daily Worker nevertheless reprints it as an expression of public opinion demanding more decisive action by America in the all-out war against Hitler.

While the Russian armies today are dying in their tracks in a battle which takes form increasingly as Hitler's supreme bid for the victory of his dream, the United States holds in its hand the opportunity to cast a determining weight into the balance.

America can insure the outcome. We believe furthermore that the hour of fateful decision for us is here, and America fail-

ing to make the great choice will render certain a future infinitely more hazardous and difficult.

The opportunity is to declare war on Germany. That decision cannot be side-stepped eventually, and the time for it is now.

The declaration itself is the immediate weapon, the superlative aid against Hitler. Battleships, warplanes and tanks can strike their blows later. The sword today would be the sword.

Three months ago exactly, on July 10, The Post called on President Roosevelt and the Congress to declare war. It set forth weighty reasons for morality and self-preservation why this country must shift its role in the war from passive to active. Evidence now is doubly conclusive.

But today the moral and political considerations, calling ever louder for that step, are impres-

sively joined by an immediate and compelling motive which is military. We should declare war now because the present moment is unique and fleeting—the peril is at its height, but also its reversal can be overwhelming. Never at any time since Hitler launched his first assault could America have produced so great an effect by this declaration alone.

Word of that declaration will be heard around the world—in the instant. Its effect cannot be denied or ignored. "America Declares War on Germany," the simple message, would be an icy hand to snatch hope from every soldier in Hitler's line. It would install despair as a permanent guest in every German home. It would uphold the bleeding hands of Russia certainly until the snow flies—more effective than swarms of planes and fresh divisions of

troops. It would enable Britain to pour out her hoarded reserves. And in the ressentient lands under conquest, what a backfire it would kindle!

Already we have heard opportunity knocking. Premier Reynaud appealed to President Roosevelt from the agony of mid-June, 1940: "Our fight, each day more painful, has no further sense if in continuing we do not see even far away the hope of a common victory growing."

America, inspiring that hope, might have kept France still in the battle, at least with its navy and its army in Africa.

But the opportunity passed, and now France is a weapon against us. Russia today, still fighting after unbelievable sacrifice, might well repeat Premier Reynaud's appeal. And today America is able to answer as it could not last

### Mark China's Independence Anniversary

### We Will Win, Says Secret Radio in People's Plea

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News) ISTANBUL, Oct. 10.—A flaming people's revolt against Hitler is sweeping Bulgaria and all the other Balkan countries, regardless of the cringing attitude of the pro-Nazi Bulgarian governmental clique, declared Christo Botoff over the illegal Bulgarian radio station on Wednesday.

Botoff bitterly denounced the Bulgarian governmental leaders, who, he said, have made themselves and the Bulgarian army into Hitler's gendarmes for policing the Balkans. He made it clear that the Bulgarian rulers were making themselves hated by the Serbs, Croats, Montenegrins and Macedonians, and hated by the Bulgarian people themselves, because they were carrying out the contemptible role of confederates of the German and Italian occupation forces in enslaving the Balkan peoples.

"Yugoslavia is in the flames of a people's struggle against the foreign fascist yoke," declared Christo Botoff, announcer. "Yet our rulers who have betrayed the country and its honor, not only cringe to the bloodthirsty Hitler but want to make us confederates of those murderers of the free people who are strangling our brothers in blood—the Serbs, Croats, Montenegrins and Macedonians.

DENOUNCES NAZI PUPPETS

"Our rulers are a party to his shameful work and are converting our army and administration into Hitler's gendarmes in the Balkans, into executioners of the freedom-loving Balkan peoples and thereby testifying the name of Bulgaria deplorable to all the Balkan peoples.

"But we express the true sentiment of the Bulgarian people and its true will: over the heads of the scoundrels and traitors who make us puppets of Hitler's corrupt clique, we extend heartfelt and sincere greetings to our brother Serbs, Croats, Montenegrins and Macedonians who have risen so courageously against the German and Italian invaders and their Bulgarian gendarmes."

"We are with you, Brothers!

"The day is nigh when the chains of fascist slavery will be destroyed in the fire of the popular revolt in the Balkans and with them an end will be put to the mindless and shameful treachery of Hitler's Bulgarian lackeys."

The parade, in which some 500 people took part, marched along Mott Street between Pell and Canal. Hanging from the buildings all through Chinatown and carried by the marching Chinese were the flags of the American and Chinese Republics. A tremendous Chinese Republic flag, carried by members of the Women's New Life Association, which is headed by Madame Chiang Kai-shek, caught the contributions which rained down from windows high above the street and were tossed into the flag by people standing on the sidewalks.

Madame Sun Yat-sen, widow of the great founder of the Chinese Republic, in a message to "friends in America, Great Britain and the Soviet Union," yesterday emphasized the need of world unity in the face of fascist aggression, declaring:

"I am very glad to know that at last, in a period of world crisis, we have found a real common basis for full cooperation in active resistance to the world threat of fascist domination."

Indicative of the new China which has risen on the might of the people's resistance to the invader was the modern dress and air of the young Chinese people in yesterday's parade. In contrast to their elders, many of whom were dressed in the traditional Chinese robes, the youngsters wore the easy, modern western dress but proudly displayed the flag of the Chinese Republic on their sweater fronts.

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The execution was carried out a few hours after summary courts at Prague and Brno had sentenced to death two persons for espionage and sabotage. A woman was sentenced to life imprisonment and three other persons given 15 years.

Vichy reports said a freight train had been derailed near Paris in the first act of railroad sabotage in occupied France in recent weeks. Another Frenchman was said to have been executed for illegal possession of firearms.

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### Chinese Unity Symbolized in City Parade

### Groups Join Liberation March to Celebrate Birth of Republic

The narrow streets of New York's Chinatown were packed tight with onlookers yesterday as a parade heralding China's unity and liberation marched in commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the Chinese Republic with parades and demonstrations.

Photo at top shows a section of the parade; below, two majorettes cross their batons to form a V-Victory symbol during the parade. The Chinese Republic was founded Oct. 10, 1911, by Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

Daily Worker Photo

# 'Gates to Moscow Barred'—Red Army Answers Nazi Lies

### Hitler Losses Colossal; Soviets Rush Best Troops as Situation Is Grave

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW, Oct. 10.—Goebbels' claims to having encircled the Soviet armies on the Central Front were exploded today in an article in Red Star, Red Army organ, which declared that wherever Red Army units have retreated in the face of superior forces they have done so in an organized fashion at the orders of the High Command.

Red Star, however, made no attempt to minimize the gravity of the situation at the front, pointing out that the peril was greatest in "the vital industrial sections in the western direction of the front and Azov district." Nevertheless, Red Star declared, the fascist offensive can be smashed and smashed decisively. The Red Army, the article said, has the forces to ensure the failure of the Nazi drive.

In a second article in today's issue Red Star describes details of the action on the Vyasma and Orel fronts. The report reveals the enormous price being paid by the Nazis for their advances and the elastic defense in depth character of the Red Army resistance, particularly in the Orel sector, where the Nazis were stopped by forces inferior in manpower and equipment.

The first article follows:

**PAY TERRIBLE PRICE**

"The Nazi troops have advanced in the Vyasma and Bryansk directions. Hitler's hordes have also succeeded in pressing our units in the Melitopol direction and advancing towards the Sea of Azov. After the third day of their offensive, the German fascist High Command, through Goebbels' lies, made haste to announce that the Soviet armies were surrounded and that now all roads were open to the Germans.

"But thousands of fresh German graves, hundreds of train carrying the wounded back to Germany, are the best refutation of this lie. The Soviet troops, with nearly four months experience of war against the Germans, are fighting courageously and steadily. They cannot be intimidated by shouts of 'encirclement'."

"Putting up a stout defense, they launch constant counter-attacks which cause the enemy heavy losses in men and material and when they do retire under the pressure of superior numbers, they do so in an organized manner at the orders of the High Command, maintaining their equipment and the direction of operations."

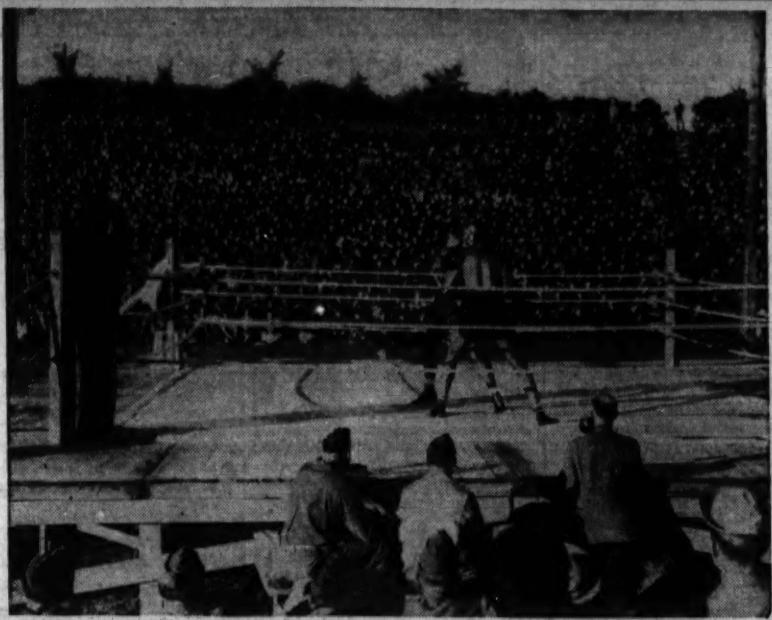
"They take up new positions and continue repelling the enemy onslaught."

**VITAL CENTERS MENACED**

"The situation is an extremely grave one and particularly menacing for the vital industrial centers in the western direction of the front and the Azov district.

"The fascist beast can be curbed only by the streams of its own blood. Everywhere, on all sectors of the front, at every step, the invaders must be destroyed, their manpower annihilated and their equipment wrecked with even greater vigor and stubbornness.

"The failure of this new fascist offensive will play a tremendous part in the



**Joe Louis Shows** the Army some of the fine points which have made him a great champion. Here he is seen in one of his Army camp exhibition bouts with Selman Martin (back to camera) at Camp Grant, Illinois. Some of the thousands of troops who assembled in Bell Bowl are shown in the foreground and background.

## Communist Nominees Withdraw, Urge Anti-Hitler Unity in Race

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win the war against Hitlerism. Everything must be subordinated to this aim.

Viewing the situation in much the same light, the Central Trades and Labor Council (AFL), the Industrial Union Council (CIO), the American Labor Party, progressive and independent voters generally, have decided to support the anti-Hitler, anti-Tammany candidate, Mayor LaGuardia.

For the defeat of reaction, for the defense of our country, Communist candidates have often declined to run in order to help achieve unity behind non-Com-

### Mayor LaGuardia's Comments

Commenting on the withdrawal of the Communist city-wide nominees from the election race, Mayor LaGuardia yesterday issued the following statement:

"I have not sought, I do not seek and I do not want Communist support. I have repeatedly stated that I do not want the support of the Communist Party.

"Anybody voting for me votes with the complete knowledge that I believe in the American form of government, in the Constitution of the United States and that I shall continue to protect the rights of everyone under the Constitution and enforce the laws of our land.

"I shall continue to support and defend our form of government in accordance with my oath of office."

Communist progressive candidates. This was done in 1937. In 1938, all Communist candidates for state office including the gubernatorial candidate were withdrawn in order to help unite the people behind the American Labor Party candidates.

Unity of the entire labor progressive and anti-Tammany movement behind LaGuardia is only possible because LaGuardia is the anti-Hitler unity candidate in New York City. And the war against Hitler is the all-inclusive issue before our city and nation.

LaGuardia has been one of the earliest supporters of the President's policy of defeating Hitler. He occupies one of the most important positions in national defense organization.

The social welfare achievements of the LaGuardia administration are admitted by its Tammany opponents.

We greet the unity thus far achieved by the organized labor movement and the anti-Hitler and anti-Tammany forces, and have declined our nomination in order to help strengthen and broaden this unity.

### Critical of Policies

We have been and are sharply critical of the mistakes and shortcomings of the LaGuardia administration. We disagree with the Mayor's labor policy toward the city's employees. We have criticized his countenancing of the Rapo-Couder Committee and the Devaney witch-hunting legislation. Not enough has been done by the city administration to stop rent-gouging, price increases, or in cleaning up its slums. The city administration has not done all it can and should do to wipe out discrimination against the Negro people and improve the living conditions of our Negro citizens.

Every responsible political party, whether it be acting on Congressional legislation or a municipal election, must subordinate its own partisan interests to the historic national duties of the period. The Communists, who have no interests apart from the great masses of the nation, insist that such an attitude must prevail in our city election.

The Communist candidates, therefore, without assuming re-

## Shipowner Stalling on Pact May Block Aid

### Curran Informs FDR of Union Position on Contract

Failure of steamship operators to recognize the need for increase of wages and working conditions for American seamen, many of whom are engaged in the transportation of cargoes into war zones, has resulted in a stalemate of negotiations, Joseph Curran, NMU president, informed President Roosevelt yesterday.

The union's agreement with 28 steamship companies expired on Sept. 30.

"The National Maritime Union," the President was informed, "cannot accept responsibility for confusion or interference with the smooth flow of commerce which this obstinate position of the operators may project."

"Since the outbreak of hostilities the NMU has consistently maintained a continuous movement of vessels and settlement of all disputes through the peaceful channels contained in the machinery of contracts. This machinery does not now exist because the contracts have expired," the telegram to the President stated.

The union's demands include higher wages and adjustment of working conditions to conform to the rising costs of living and unusual working regulations which did not exist when the last agreement was negotiated two years ago.

The union is also demanding that the wages and working standards of all American seamen be made uniform. There is no differential in living costs, taxation of income of the men who man America's merchant vessels. American steamship operators have virtually the same operating costs, including insurance rates, costs of fuel, repairs and supplies. The present differentials in wages—which the NMU contends is deliberately maintained by the shipowners to foster dissension in the ranks of trade unions—only results in confusion and delay in the free flow of commerce, which is so vital to the defense of our country at this time.

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Our declinations leave only councilmanic candidates as Communist, anti-Hitler, candidates in this election. Under Proportional Representation, the pro-labor and anti-Hitler and anti-Tammany voters can vote first choice for Peter V. Cacchione in Brooklyn, Israel Amter in Manhattan, Isidore Begun in the Bronx, Paul Crook in Queens, and give other choices to the other labor, anti-Hitler and anti-Tammany candidates.

Tammany has been defeated in the last two elections. Tammany needs window-dressing. And so there is O'Dwyer—a tiger washed and ironed into the shape of a crusading District Attorney.

New Yorkers, proud of their Americanism, will not want only to reject Tammany but to make this internationally important election a demonstration of national unity behind the policies of President Roosevelt.

It is in that spirit that the Communist candidates approach this election. Profoundly convinced that what is at stake is our national existence and independence, we declare that half-measures and delay spell defeat.

Maximum production in our arms factories, the heightening of our national defense preparations to the utmost and genuine national unity are the order of the day.

Our votes have not been solicited and it is of no concern to us whether they are or not. National unity and not any single person's attitudes or prejudices determine our viewpoint.

Our position no more implies our agreement with the political philosophy that may be termed "LaGuardianism" than it connotes LaGuardia's agreement with Foreign policy of smashing Hitler.

We fully appreciate the confidence of the 45,000 New York voters who signed our nominating petitions. We feel honored by their trust and confidence in us. We thank them most sincerely. We feel confident that these thousands of anti-Hitler voters want

A first-choice vote for the Communist councilmanic candidate is a vote against Tammany, for labor's rights and national defense—for a program of civic and social reform. It is a vote against the Lindberghs, Coughlins and the Bund. It is a vote for full rights for the Negro people and against discrimination of Jews, Catholics and Negroes.

Let us march in united ranks—Americans all—in the great struggle of all humanity to smash Hitler and Hitlerism forever. Let us march together, proud citizens of our great city, to defeat the appeasers and Bundists in this municipal election campaign.

ISRAEL AMTER, Candidate for Mayor.

ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN, Candidate for Comptroller.

JAMES W. FORD, Candidate for President of City Council.

JOSE SANTIAGO, Candidate for President, Borough of Manhattan.

SADIE VAN VEEN, Candidate for Register, New York County.

BEN DAVIS, JR., Candidate for District Attorney, New York County.

ROBERT A. CAMPBELL, Candidate for President, Borough of Brooklyn.

THOMAS F. DWYER, Candidate for Sheriff, Kings County.

FAY CALLER, Candidate for Register, Kings County.

TIMOTHY HOLMES, Candidate for President, Borough of Bronx.

VALENTIN BORGES, Candidate for Sheriff, Bronx County.

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## Lumber Union to Act On Call for Full Aid

### CIO International Woodworkers Convention Opens With Demand for a Military Defeat of Hitlerism

By Ellen McGrath  
(Special to the Daily Worker)

EVERETT, Wash., Oct. 10.—The fifth convention of the International Woodworkers of America, CIO, opened here Wednesday with a report by the general executive board calling for the organization's full strength behind President Roosevelt's all-out aid policy and calling for a "military defeat" of Hitler.

The convention is attended by 313 delegates from 187 locals, representing the most significant gains in the union's history.

Unanimous agreement to seat all the delegates marked the opening of the convention.

A message from Allan S. Haywood, CIO national director, served as a backdrop on the platform.

"It is the hope of the national CIO," the message said, "that every officer and member of the IWA will approach their convention and the problems with which they are confronted with one main objective—unity and confidence and organization of the unorganized."

**REPORT BACKS MURRAY**

President O. M. Orion moved swiftly into the business of the convention as he took the gavel.

Reading of the lengthy report submitted by executive officer Orion and B. J. McCarty, international secretary-treasurer, and supplemental reports occupied the opening day's sessions.

Supplemental reports were given by vice president Worth Lowery and Adolph Germer, organization director.

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Strengthening of international ties with organized labor in Britain and the Soviet Union was urged to speed the fight against Hitlerism.

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## Urge Technicians Rally to Defense At Union Parley

### Soviet Architects Greet Convention of FAECT in Detroit

By William Allan  
(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Oct. 10.—Lewis Alan Berne, president of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians, CIO, in his opening address to the union's sixth annual convention here today called for the rallying of all the vast resources of the technicians of America into a mighty movement to aid in the smashing of Hitlerism.

Berne proposed that a national congress of technical workers be held as the need of the hour for unity, coordination and determination behind national defense.

An inspiring cablegram of greetings reached the convention this morning from the Presidium of Soviet Architects.

"Soviet architects," the message said, "today are giving all of their knowledge, their strength and experience to their country's defense, with many of us fighting in the front lines. For we also know that any creative work, any constructive activity for the wealth of the people is unthinkable without complete victory over Hitler Germany, that vilest enemy of civilization and progress."

The text of the Soviet technicians' cable to the FAECT convention follows:

"This is our opening gun in a big campaign to spread nationally the movement to rally our people behind national unity for victory over Hitlerism," declared Alderman Dickerson, who is chairman of the committee.

"This recent speech of Charles A. Lindbergh at Des Moines in a racial minority brings home to Negroes the danger of the appeasement doctrine. When the America First crowd, who officially sponsor Lindbergh, come out into the open with Hitler's race policies of separation of minorities, it is time for America's millions of Negroes to sit up and take notice.

"Dear friends, friends in days

when millions of sons of our country are defending their homeland, freedom and honor of their people in the titanic struggle against the pernicious onslaught of Nazi hordes, this fierce struggle is at the same time a fight for the freedom of all nations enslaved by bloody Hitler

"This fight for freedom and happiness of all mankind, in alliance with British combatants and our combatants on land, sea and air, is fighting also for your safety.

"Dear friends, the same criminal aggressor who plunged the nations

of Europe into appalling calamities

of war, also threatens you and your great country.

"All of this, with the criminal lust and unlimited power of the German Nazis seeking power the world over, seeks to reduce all nations to slaves of Germany, to establish the gloomiest, most benighted ideas permeated with hatred of men and human civilization.

"We architects, men of art and building, are accustomed to give all our thoughts and aspirations to creative practical work—service to the people and embellishing their life.

"War found Soviet architects in the height of seeking building work. War work unfolded during recent years in the Soviet Union, reconstruction of old towns, building new cities. Hundreds and thousands of new schools, hospitals, palaces of culture and kindergartens were built.

"We are firmly convinced that we, like you too, are filled with determination to finish this fearful ulcer on humanity's body. Remember dear friends in art, this menace exists also for your country despite expenses of ocean separation from war-engulfed Europe.

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### U.S.A.-Britain-U.S.S.R.— In Joint War Against Hitler!

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The sentiments expressed by the nation's chief executive, by labor, by the American people, the insistent demands of the British people, show that the people are done with delays and partial measures against Hitler. The New York Post in an editorial yesterday indicated the growing concern of the people to our increasing danger, when it stated: "America quite possibly can win this battle of Russia. America's weapon, swift as a flash of lightning, is a declaration of war. Word of that declaration would be heard around the world—in the instant. . . . The simple message would be an icy hand to snatch hope from every soldier in Hitler's line."

America's national existence cannot be maintained through half-hearted or partial measures in these days of crisis. Aid to the Soviet Union must be sent in torrents and with a speed in keeping with the gravity of the moment. Naval convoys of America's sea power must insure the arrival of this aid. The Neutrality Law shackles which bind our country's mighty defensive arms and hamper the President's "shoot first" order must be broken.

Above all, America has an immediate duty to undertake joint military operations with Britain and the Soviet Union to crush Hitler. The British people, who are valiantly insisting upon an invasion of the continent, must know that our country is prepared to go all down the line against Hitler, without red tape and hesitations. The knowledge that America is totally in the war against the common enemy will strengthen the British and American people against the appeasers who are traitorously sabotaging the fight against Hitler.

The joint military enterprise of Britain and America for a Western Front is the best answer to the disloyal America First friends of Hitler. Let there be an end to the hesitations and delay that help Hitler and imperil our nation. Let there be all-out participation of America with Britain and the Soviet Union to bury Hitlerism on the European continent.

### Register Today! Tomorrow Is Too Late

Never has New York had a campaign as important as the current election.

Reduced to its baldest terms the election will prove one thing above all:

Does or does not the greatest city of the nation support President Roosevelt's policies of all-out aid to Britain, the Soviet Union and all other people defending America by resisting fascist aggression?

We and you know that New York is the anti-fascist capital of America.

Let's prove it on election day.

But it can't be done unless there is the widest registration today, the last day left to register if you wish to vote Nov. 4. Tomorrow is too late.

Register today. The polls are open from 7 A.M. to 10:30 P.M. Register now to deliver a smashing blow at Hitler Nov. 4.

Buy an extra copy  
of today's

## Daily Worker

Bring it to a friend or shopmate  
Make that extra copy of the Daily Worker part of  
your regular reading habit

### Panama Acts In Time

Kicking out the pro-Nazi gentleman who misused his office as President of Panama was a most timely and long-needed decision. The people of Panama have given an example of what should be done up and down the continent of Latin America.

The American people can applaud the deed. It removes from the Panama Canal one of Hitler's boldest schemes—the seizure and crippling of that vital naval passage.

For there can be no doubt at all that Hitler's agents, recently caught by Government police at the Canal, were advance-guard for a more direct invasion by sea.

Berlin has been caught red-handed in one Latin American country after another, plotting armed coup d'etats. The military goal of these insurrections was the encirclement of the Panama Canal as part of the general plan for the encirclement of the United States as such.

The Panama incident only adds new evidence, if any were needed, that the United States is at war with Hitler Germany.

Persons who close their eyes to this reality and await formal declarations of war from Berlin are forgetting that Hitler doesn't declare war. He wages war, taking advantage of legalistic illusions which his own agents are careful to foster.

That so dangerous a pro-Nazi as the fleeing President Arias was able to reach high office in Panama is due to the failure of the United States to encourage the progressive, democratic forces throughout Latin America. Active collaboration with the democratic forces in Latin America is now seen to be vital to the safety of this country.

Panama's action focusses attention on the swarm of Hitler agents and representatives which still infests Washington.

Representatives of the Petain, Franco, and Mannerheim regimes—not to speak of Berlin's embassy—are as fully a menace to our security as Arias was. They are fifth column outlets. Why does the Government delay kicking them out? Their expulsion is a military necessity of immediate urgency.

### A Victory for Negro Rights— And National Defense

Col. Charles B. Elliot, commander of the nation's largest army camp at Fort Bragg, N. C., has been removed after his flagrant anti-Negro policies led to the needless death of a Negro and white soldier.

This is an important victory of far-reaching consequences for the Negro people and thus for national defense. Col. Elliot functioned with an attitude of Bourbon contempt for the citizenship rights of Negro Americans. The raw segregation and Jim-crowism which he enforced produced strife among the soldiers instead of unity and the lives of two were sacrificed in an outbreak which shamed the nation and gratified Hitler.

The fact that Negro military police at Fort Bragg are to have equal authority with the white, and that some other discriminatory policies are to be eliminated is in keeping with the temper of progressive developments in the South in recent years. It was the interests of the Southern Bourbons that Col. Elliot represented, not those of the Southern workers and liberals who are increasingly making common cause with the Negro people.

Discrimination in any form against the Negro or any other minority in the armed forces breeds disunity and antagonism where unity is the most decisive need. It plays into the hands of the appeasers, weakens morale and serves as an impediment to full solidarity between the people and the armed forces.

Following the struggles of the Negro people jointly with the labor movement, the President has issued two orders against discrimination. In the effort to break down the Jim-crow fetters upon their contributions to the country's security, the Negro people have re-emphasized their dignity and strength as a nation. Meanwhile, the people as a whole, in their desire to crush Hitler, have created the spirit for Negro and white working shoulder to shoulder in a spirit of equality and harmony. The removal of Col. Elliot is a beginning along the proper lines. More is needed in other camps and in other fields of defense. The safety of America requires cleansing the armed forces of all such practices as that of Col. Elliot in order that the nation can mobilize full unity to destroy Hitler.

## THEY HAVE REGISTERED--HAVE YOU?



## 'We Dare Not Do Less'

With the launching of Hitler's titanic offensive against the one army that stands between his hordes and the American people, the Daily Worker has become even more eminently the defender and conscience of America.

In editorials which advance sober argument in passionate words, it lashes out against delay and disunity in the face of the grave peril. It calls for a torrent of war help to the Red Army from Britain and America. It points out that now, when Britain and the United States face an open western coast they can deal Hitler a death blow while he is engaged by the Red Army in the East.

"What are we doing to meet the Hitler challenge?" asks one editorial. "What are you doing to save America?" demands another.

These questions cut deeply—and they

cannot be denied. Fortunately, the Daily and Sunday Worker provides us all with one vital thing we can do "to meet the Hitler challenge," "to Save America." That is, to spread the message of the Daily and Sunday Worker far and wide!

Comrades, I know your concern over the issue of the vast battles now being fought on the Eastern Front. I know you will not hesitate before any sacrifice that would save our country.

It is action that counts now and action that mobilizes thousands counts most! That is why every Communist should make it his or her minimum duty to report Saturday night and Sunday to help distribute the best mobilizer in the land, the Sunday Worker. Now, this week-end, is the time to realize completely our new quota of 50,000 papers.

Let us do that! We dare not do less!

I. AMTER, chairman  
New York State Committee  
Communist Party

## Pennsylvania Court Ruling Bars Minority Parties from Ballot

By David Lurie  
(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 10.—Seventy judges handed down a shocking decision in this state on Monday in the case of the 30 men and women imprisoned here for their activity in placing the Communist Party on the ballot last Fall.

The decision, which upheld the verdict of the lower court against every argument of the defense, not only justified the frame-up in what laymen can only consider an illegal fashion, it also took away the right of minority parties to get on the ballot.

It was class legislation at its worst in a day and time when national unity is the imperative need.

It was a decision which usurped the right of the state legislature to make the laws of the Commonwealth by adding words to the election code.

It took the seven State Superior Court judges five months to make up their minds, months during which 18 of those convicted were released after serving their sentences.

In sweeping fashion, the court ruled:

Those still in jail must be kept there.

In the future, no minority party can get on the ballot in the state of Pennsylvania, especially the Communist Party, unless it can overcome almost insuperable obstacles.

Only one point in the wordy, 32-page opinion need be cited to show the court's bias. That point is the deliberate shielding of an judicial conduct by the trial judge in a manner which must be revolting to anyone who thinks of courts in terms of gravity and dignity.

One of the arguments of defense counsel in asking for a new trial was the fact that when a State's witness repudiated earlier testimony and declared that he had known he was signing a Communist nominating petition, the judge addressed the witness in open court and asked:

"Do you understand that you are committing perjury here?"

That is in the record. When Judge J. Frank Graff, who received much of his legal experience as a judge advocate in court martial during the World War, certified the record for the appeal, he did not dispute it, nor did the Prosecutor, the Assistant District Attorney.

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The rest of the opinion is based on the judges' interpretation of the law and citation of precedents. Many points can and undoubtedly will be questioned by the defense counsel in the appeals to be taken to the State Supreme Court. The men and women who went to jail because they stood for freedom of elections, will continue with their friends and associates the fight for the American ballot.

The Superior Court's decision, which rejects every argument of the defense, is not the last stand. A petition asking leave to appeal is now being prepared and will be taken before the State Supreme Court. The men and women who went to jail because they stood for freedom of elections, will continue with their friends and associates the fight for the American ballot.

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## Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

### READERS' DAY

DEAR ALAN—Here is my entry to your No-Prize Contest for two-line verses on the appeasers. If I should win, send my No-Prize to the Non-Existent Socialist Party, care of No-man Thomas.

What could disgust us  
More than Charles Augustus?

To help keep Hitler from the U. S. A.  
Put your shoulders to the Wheeler and push  
him away.

BILL SILVERMAN.

It seems to me that Senator Nye  
Is the over-ripe apple of Hitler's eye.

IDE.

Norman Thomas made a twist,  
Now it's "national" socialist.

EDITH SEGAL.

Fry  
With Nye.

BERNIE.

What is that odor now passing by?  
Must be a piece of Lindbergh on Nye.

MILTON MELTZER.

Around the Mariner's neck the albatross,  
Around Lindbergh's neck the double-cross.

N. S.

As the "Daily" circulation goes higher and higher  
The "America Firsters" will gradually expire.

SUGARMAN.

Anyone who could write a book like the "Red  
Decade," must be a real go-gutter.

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## CHANGE THE WORLD



Has Hitler Won Any New  
Support Among the  
Wealthy Men of Europe?

By MIKE GOLD

GENERAL SHERMAN'S famous march to the sea was a strategic move intended to weaken the armies and productive resources of the South by cutting the confederacy in two.

The march succeeded and helped end the rebellion. But it is still remembered by Southern die-hards as a merciless devastation. If ever you wander South, don't whistle "Marching Through Georgia" on any Southern street. That is, if you value your health.

War is cruel and inhuman, and Sherman's march was cruel. But the institution of slavery was even more cruel, a fact which Southern reactionaries prefer to smother in pink clouds of romance of "Gone with the Wind" variety.

General Sherman was no Hitler, however. He destroyed all military stores in his path, but with a keen understanding of the political and social aspects of the war.

In the orders issued to his generals and commanders before the march, General Sherman instructed them to confiscate or destroy only the stores and materials found on the larger plantations.

Nothing taken from the small farmer or the working people. These said General Sherman, were either neutral about the rebellion or pro-Northern sympathizers at heart.

In thus making a class distinction between Southern rich and Southern poor, General Sherman, without having heard of Karl Marx, confirmed the brilliant analyses of the Civil War that mental giant was making three thousand miles from the scene.

When Hitler invaded the Soviet Union, he also took into calculation the world's class forces, and schemed to manipulate them for his ends. He hoped to enlist great masses of sympathizers in Europe and America under the banner of his "sacred war on Bolshevism."

So far as the continent of Europe is concerned, this maneuver has proved a miserable dud.

For the peoples of Europe, the invasion of the Soviet Union has been a signal for revolt against Hitler. From the English Channel to the Black Sea, the imprisoned peoples are now smashing with heroic rage at their bars. With sabotage, assassination, boycott, guerrilla warfare and all the other weapons left to slaves, they have become a new menace to the bloody Nazi empire.

For the wealthy classes of Europe, has Hitler won any new support among them? They had already split when their countries were seized by Hitler. A minority, infected with fears of "Bolshevism," passed over to treason and fascism. These were the Quislings and Petains, ready to serve as Hitler's lieutenants. But Hitler has been stripping the well-to-do of France, Poland, Holland and other enslaved countries. Today the Quislings and Petains have little following among the well-to-do. Two years ago Hitler could have drawn tremendous support from them if he had invaded the Soviet Union. Today the wealthy classes even of Italy and Spain have little enthusiasm for Hitler's anti-Communist war. They are bankrupt, almost in the position of the workers. Hitler has left them nothing to lose but their chains.

No, there seems to be little positive support for Hitler's war among the wealthier classes of Europe or England.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, for example, highest dignitary in the Church of England, has just given his blessing to the Soviet Union, and called for all possible aid to the Red Army. This attitude is popular among classes and masses of England, among religious and non-religious.

Hitler's "holy war" is fooling nobody in England; but in the United States, where Hitler's bombs have not yet fallen, there is still some room for the fascists to maneuver.

Hitler's "holy war" has intensified the efforts of the Wall Street group of fascists, of the industrialists like Ford, the publicists like Hearst, the fascist elements in the government, the army and navy, and the Catholic hierarchy.

Note well, however, that most of these "America Firsters" were anti-Communist, anti-labor and pro-fascist before the invasion of the Soviet Union. Hitler has gained new allies here. The majority of the well-to-do in America fear and hate him today a thousand times more than a year ago. He has spilled too much innocent blood, confiscated and destroyed too much property. He offers them nothing but national slavery, the lot of France or Poland.

As for the wide masses of Americans it can be reported that the invasion of the Soviet Union has served to unite our working class.

With almost complete unanimity, American labor, both CIO and AFL, organized and unorganized, left-wing and right-wing, Communist and anti-Communist has declared itself in favor of war on Hitler.

This is an unprecedented thing; it was not true a year ago; and it is a symptom of the suicidal error made by Hitler when he sent his panzers into the Soviet Union.

Let his spies here encourage him with reports of the intensified activities of his Lindbergh and Wheelers; but the mass meetings of America First are little but a duplication of meetings held by Father Coughlin and the Ku Klux Klan for some years.

What is new in America, what the invasion of the Soviet Union has brought into being, has been a spontaneous rising of the American masses against Hitlerian. Here is a mighty tide that has only begun to mount. There is a national crusade to erase the shame and horror of fascism. Here is the first national realization that America can no longer live while Hitler and his murderous legions still oppress the earth.

## Film Notes

Robert Benchley has just completed the top comedy role in Columbia's "Bedtime Story," Loretta Young-Fredric March current co-star, being directed by Alexander Hall for Producer B. P. Schulberg.

Benchley was also featured as the comedian in the company's "Three Girls About Town" and the new Fred Astaire-Rita Hayworth musical, "You'll Never Get Rich."

Now in New York, the comedian will start a new series of shorts, in

which he will receive double credit as writer and star.

Columbia Pictures' "Texas" will open an engagement at Loew's State on Oct. 16. William Holden, Glenn Ford and Claire Trevor are in the top spots, with Edgar Buchanan and George Bancroft in important feature roles.

"Texas" with its cast of seventy-five speaking parts and several hundred extras, was directed by George Marshall. It tells a story of the early cattle wars in the Lone Star State, just after the Civil War.

## "Say Ah, Raimu!"



Medical quacks give Raimu a going-over in "The Man Who Seeks the Truth," French comedy playing at the World Theatre.

## It's Violins and Machine Guns

## Soviet Musicians Drill and Compose In Conservatories

(By WIRELESS to Inter-Continent News)

MOSCOW.

We always enter this great hall of the Moscow Conservatory of Music with a feeling of respect and reverence. It was here that we heard the majestic fugues of Bach, the passionate sonatas of Beethoven and Chaikovsky's inspiring symphonies. Yesterday, commanders of the Moscow garrison filled this hall; tomorrow, flyers will come here and the day after men of the destroyer detachments will come to listen to this immortal music.

Meanwhile spacious layers in the main hall of the Moscow Conservatory of Music are being used for drilling the soldiers, under the direction of Professor Asplund. He looks over his men who just came in from lectures—veteran professors and young post-graduates. The musician's weapon is his instrument. When cannons boom, the muses are silent, it is said. The Soviet poets write their verses to the accompaniment of the enemy's fire and the musicians play Haydn and Beethoven during enemy air raids. Pianist Goldeneiser, one of the Moscow Conservatory's oldest professors, played Sonata Pathétique to the Red Army men while they were fighting. He is one of the many Soviet musicians who are performing at the front lines. But when their country needed them as soldiers they stopped playing their concertos and started shooting their enemy—fascism. When pianist Diakov who volunteers for the popular guard was



invited to return to the conservatory he replied, "No, I'm needed here, my older colleagues will take my place at the piano."

## Myaskovsky And Gliere

In these eventful days the conservatory is the center of energetic work. Nikolai Myaskovsky, a Stalin prize winner, has written a number of new marching songs. Composer Gliere has just finished an overture on Slavonic themes. The graduating class of the conservatory selected defense music for their diploma work and some of their efforts in this direction are truly outstanding.

The best violinists, cellists and singers give concerts in the barracks. The oldest home of music in the USSR, lives in unison with the entire country. Both the teachers and students are courageously defending the buildings against the enemy planes. They have already

extinguished eighteen incendiary bombs dropped by the German flyers on a house which bears portraits of Gluck, Mozart and Berlioz. The training school for Red Cross nurses is holding lessons every day and the first batch of nurses has already graduated. The graduates include, among others, Professor Yudina who with her colleagues is awaiting orders to proceed to the front. Every student has chosen some specialty and all of them do daily drill and are learning how to handle a rifle, machine gun and the use of hand grenades. The conservatory has given 300 blood donors from among the teachers and student body and the number of volunteers is increasing.

## Military Training Is Prime Job

All the students regard military training as their prime task, and

three times a week their company under the direction of Professor Asplund's able command go through regular army exercise. This company is indeed an imposing one, including famed musicians like Professor Grigory Ginzburg, Taganov, Tsatlin and Jochelis. Platoon One is commanded by composer Kablevsky. Pianist Emil Hilles is one of the company's crack marksmen. Hilles, it will be remembered, won fame for Soviet art at the international competitions; now he is defending the honor of his country in another field.

These people, devoted workers of art, will later take their place in their country's defense line as experienced fighters. They know only too well what the enemy is out to destroy and that is why they are prepared to defend Soviet culture—culture which won world recognition.

By Ralph Warner

Gilbert Miller's source of play material is London and it was from the London stage of six seasons ago that "Anne of England" is derived. Norman Ginsburg wrote that play under the title of "Viceroy Sarah." The version now on exhibition at the St. James Theatre is a treatment by Mary Cass Canfield and Ethel Borden, and is for American consumption only.

I should like to have seen the London production, for the long, windy and totally undramatic expository scenes of the first act, in which English history is retailed to the American audience as by a weary first-year high school teacher, induces a penetrating mood of boredom. Thus the praiseworthy scenes of the second act, in which the weakness of the English monarch is pointedly revealed, fail to rouse the interest they deserve.

## Sarah Versus Abigail

This is the story of the rivalry of Sarah, Duchess of Marlborough, and her scheming cousin, Abigail Hill, for domination over the bumbling, ineffectual and stupid queen. The Duke of Marlborough, lineage ancestor of our present-day Winston Churchill, is commander in chief on the continent against Louis XIV, then (1704-10) engaged in war in conquests against German states, Holland and Austria.

Historically, Sarah was a sharp-witted and sometimes unscrupulous woman whose behind-the-scenes intrigues enabled her husband to continue Britain's military defense against the rising power of France. In this play plenty to remind one of England have been made to link the visor of Blenheim to his descendant, Mr. Churchill. There are lines in the play a plenty to remind one of England's importance to the world, of the dangers of "peace-mongering," and how fifth columnists work to undermine national unity. These interpolations are praiseworthy, too, in themselves; but they do not contribute to the dramatic substance of the play.

Opposed to Sarah and her John is Mr. Harley, secretary of state, an appeaser if ever there was one. His immediate agent in the court of the weak queen is Abigail Hill, later Mrs. Masham, and in the ensuing conflict between Abigail and Sarah, it is the Marlborough woman who eats crow. The final curtain therefore defeats the author's good will to aid the defense of small nations and to explain the mission of Britain, for the true patriots of the play are unceremoniously kicked out of court. And nothing has been done to blunt this defeatist conclusion by indicating that Anne died soon after the last scene of the play, and that the Marlboroughs later returned in triumph.

## Wordy and Confused

This confusion of purpose, as well as the wordily overburdened dialogue tends toward dullness and smothers as well the smooth direction of Mr. Miller and several superior performances. Barbara Everest is new to the New York stage, although she is a London star. As the confused queen she

is

By Ralph Warner

ANNE OF ENGLAND

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## TEXAS TEAM RAPPS JIM-CROW

Members of the Texas A & M football team that faces NYU at the Stadium today, and Coach Homer Norton were unanimous and emphatic yesterday in stating that they would consider it a bad breach of American sportsmanship for a Northern team to bench its Negro member because it was playing a Southern team. Leonard Bates, who has a Negro star, Leonard Bates, who was benched by NYU when they played Missouri last year.

"We wouldn't want to play NYU except at their full strength," said Norton, "and to these boys Bates or any other Negro player they encountered is as good as anyone else and will be hit no harder or no easier than anyone else. Ask them what they think of Joe Louis."

Members of the team had the same sentiment. Working class boys from Texas, they had enjoyed the sights of New York before accustoming themselves to the Stadium with a scrimmage. Five of them had never been on a train before. None had ever been out of the state of Texas.

They were rated heavy favorites over NYU.

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## On the Score Board

By LESTER RODNEY

Suppose the Brooklyn Dodgers were to win the National League pennant again in 1942 and were told that the only basis on which they could play the Yankees in the World's Series was a "non-title" basis. That is, regardless of who won the Series, the Yanks would still be champions with the champion's share of the money, etc. A sporting proposition, eh?

Such a Series arrangement would be no more fantastic than is the "non-title" fight scheduled yesterday for Oct. 31 by Promoter Mike Jacobs between welterweight champion Freddy Cochrane and Ray Robinson, sensational undefeated young Negro fighter.

It's about time fight fans put thumbs down on these phony "non-title" matches in the only way possible—by refusing to pay their money to see them. Our position on the many positive contributions of Mike Jacobs in cleaning up the fight game is well known. But in the present fending around with the lightweight and welterweight titles he is making a farce of the word champion. And whether by accident or design two sensational Negro fighters of championship caliber, Bob Montgomery and Robinson, are being given a grotesquely unfair runaround.

Montgomery fought lightweight "champion" Lew Jenkins on the proviso that he come in over the lightweight limit of 135 pounds, making it a "non-title" affair. Philadelphia Bob weighed in at 136 and gave Jenkins the worst beating the hard-hitting, night-clubbing Texan has ever absorbed, winning the decision unanimously. They lifted Bob's hand after the fight as "the winner," and had the delicacy to refrain from lifting Jenkins' at the "loser and still champion." A goodly crowd saw the fight because it figured to be a good contest. That's why Jacobs

scheduled these attractive "non-title" fights that should be championship battles.

Now Freddy Cochrane, fairly little known fighter who won the welterweight title because then-champion Fritz Zivic didn't bother to protect himself behind a "non-title" clause, is to face Robinson, one of his two logical foes (Montgomery is the second), without risking his crown. Usually these "non-title" masses are worked by having one of the fighters come in over the weight limit of the division. In the case of Cochrane-Robinson, neither approaches the 145-pound welterweight limit without three sweaters, an overcoat and a pocket full of pebbles. So the ingenious Jacobs just calls it a "handicap match" and that means that the high principles of American sportsmanship will be upheld if Robinson knocks Cochrane into the second row of the working press and Freddy is picked up and propped back on his throne.

Obviously, if Cochrane thought he was a real champion and wasn't afraid of being beaten by the dynamic Robinson he wouldn't deign to hide his title behind Jacobs' protective "handicap" arrangement. If Robinson beats Cochrane, as is very likely, the first world will boast two champions in Jenkins and Cochrane and they'll be as designated here, as well as by most fans.

The payoff on the whole lightweight-welterweight situation is the suggestion that if Robinson beats Cochrane, he meets his fellow uncrowned champion, Montgomery, in a battle of the survival of the best in the two divisions. With the beaten Jenkins and Cochrane still cashing in on their "championships."

The winner of the Montgomery-Robinson fight will no doubt be offered the chance to meet featherweight champion Chalky Wright in a special "non-title, handicap" bout . . . with the winner of that one privileged to face Joe Louis any time he wants.

If this column is involved, so is the situation.

It's high time that the boxing game returned to A. When a fighter beats the champion he is the better fighter—and the new champion.

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The reason why a Negro university has been chosen for this task of training both Negro and white youth for technical positions in the war effort is that this educational institution is under the supervision of the U. S. Department of the Interior. The courses are under the auspices of the United States Office of Education.

Negro and white youth, contrary to the long established rule for educational institutions in the District of Columbia, work in complete harmony, side by side, in laboratories under Negro instructors.

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